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<u>PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME</u>

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to Rule 136(a), Applicant(s) hereby petition(s) the Commissioner for an extension of time into the <u>two</u>-month after the response due date, i.e., until <u>December 9, 2004</u>, for responding to the Office Action mailed <u>August 9, 2004</u>.

A check for the appropriate fee set by 37 CFR §1.17 of \$430.00 is attached hereto for this Petition.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any Petition for Extension of Time fee for underpayment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

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